

TOWN OF NEWFIELDS BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 6:45pm. Selectmen present were David Dwyer, Betsy Coes and James McIlroy. Others present were Chief Buxton, Attorney Flygar, Chief Reed, John Razcek and Wendy Chase.

Chief Buxton was in to discuss a Secretary position for the Fire Department. The Selectmen asked if he had the money in his budget and he does. The position will be around 4 hours per week. There may be more hours in the beginning.

Chief Buxton also informed the Board that the Firemen will be attending the Fire Academy on Sunday, January 23, 2005. The Newmarket Fire Department will be covering Newfields.

Chief Buxton is working on the fire department inventory for insurance liability. He has a quarter of the inventory done.

We have not heard yet on whether or not Newfields will receive the fire forestry truck grant.

Chief Buxton wanted to report to the Board that the owner of the building which houses Newport Computers is not plowing for Fire Department access. David asked Jeff to contact the owner and if he doesn't get any satisfaction then let the Board know.

A motion was made and seconded to go into non public session at 7:05pm pursuant to RSA 91-A:3II(d), and all were in favor.

A motion was made and seconded to come out of non public session at 7:28pm and all were in favor.

Attorney Flygar was in to discuss the proposed personnel policy for the town.

James asked Attorney Flygar whether or not the Selectmen would be able to accept the personnel plan or would it have to go before a town vote. Attorney Flygar thought the Selectmen would be able to accept the policy but advised him to check with town counsel.

It was determined that further investigation is needed to be done on the policy.

Mr. Razcek asked to be rescheduled for next week to discuss the possible operation of a junk yard in Newfields. David asked him to call Wendy and set up a time to come in at

next week's meeting. Mr. Raczek left information on junk yards with each member of the Board.

Mary August was in to discuss her concerns on clear title of the Grist Mill land. A town resident believes he owns the land and may wish to include it in a proposed subdivision. David explained to her that he has been in contact with the surveyor hired by the land owner and Mike Cuomo of the Rockingham Conservation Commission. David is also getting information from Bud Smith and Don Wilson. He will keep Mary informed.

Chief Reed went over a cruiser purchase schedule which included the possible purchase of a SUV with the Board.

Correspondence from Fran Lane was reviewed.

Wendy was directed to post a Selectmen's meeting for Thursday, January 27, 2005 to go over proposed Warrant Articles and to make recommendations.

The awning for the town office door was discussed. Wendy was directed to purchase the vinyl awning for \$785.00. The awning will help with the water run off and ice buildup on the ramp.

The letter to go out to Eagle Scout Brendan Podszus was rewritten. Wendy was directed to send the revised letter to him.

An *intent to cut* application was reviewed. Wendy will get more information for the Selectmen and the Board will review it again on Thursday night.

James made a motion to accept the Selectmen's minutes of January 18, 2005, David seconded and all were in favor.

James made a motion to accept the public hearing minutes of January 18, 2005 as amended, David seconded and all were in favor.

The Board reviewed complaint letters on damaged mailboxes. Wendy was directed to draft a letter and the Board will review it on Thursday night.

James will look up the RSA regarding the Conservation Commission's funds.

David made a motion to adjourn at 10:50pm, James seconded and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy V. Chase